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WILLIAMS *et al.*

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For: **PEG-Urate Oxidase Conjugates
and Use Thereof**

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Second Declaration of Merry R. Sherman Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132

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Sir:

I, the undersigned, **Merry R. Sherman**, declare and state that:

1. I am a co-inventor of the above-captioned U.S. patent application number 09/839,946, filed April 19, 2001, entitled, "PEG-Urate Oxidase Conjugates and Use Thereof."

2. I am also the Chief Executive Officer and President of Mountain View Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("MVP"), a co-assignee of the present application by virtue of an assignment from David L. Williams, Mark G. P. Saifer and Merry R. Sherman to MVP executed on September 29, 1999, and recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 30, 2001, beginning at Reel No. 012320, Frame No. 0564.

3. My *curriculum vitae* is attached as **Exhibit A**.

4. I have reviewed the above-identified patent application and the file history thereof including the Decision on Appeal dated July 18, 2007. I would like to

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discuss the commercial preparation of porcine liver urate oxidase (catalog number U3250) from Sigma that was disclosed in Lee *et al.*, Science 239:1288-1290 (1988). I would also like to clarify several statements made in my first Declaration of Merry R. Sherman Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 dated May 25, 2005 (hereinafter "my first Declaration").

5. As discussed in our Brief on Appeal filed April 20, 2006, uricase preparations such as those available from Sigma (including Sigma Cat. No. U3250, the particular commercially available uricase used in the studies in Lee) contain substantial quantities (*i.e.*, more than 10%) of non-tetrameric forms of the enzyme. This contention is supported by the present specification which discloses that the same commercial preparation of uricase used in Lee (Sigma U3250) had to be purified by the methods disclosed in the present specification in order to obtain a uricase preparation in which greater than 90% of the uricase was in the tetrameric form. *See* specification at page 20, lines 9-13. For completeness, I note that the present specification describes the commercial preparation of Sigma porcine liver uricase as "Porcine liver uricase...obtained from Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MO, catalog No. U2350...." (emphasis added). However, this transposition of numbers is a typographical error in the specification and the catalog number in the specification should read "U3250." As evidence of this typographical error, copies of a purchase order from Mountain View Pharmaceuticals, Inc. to Sigma-Aldrich (dated May 5, 1998), a packing list from Sigma Aldrich (dated May 5, 1998), an invoice from Sigma Aldrich to Mountain View Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (dated May 5, 1998), and a label from a vial of U3250 (dated "rec'd 5-7-98") are attached as **Exhibits B, C, D and E**, respectively. These exhibits

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show that Sigma catalog number U3250 is porcine liver uricase and that Mountain View Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a co-assignee of the present application, ordered and received a vial of Sigma catalog number U3250 in May of 1998. A vial of Sigma catalog number U3250 was used in experiments disclosed in Example 1 of the present application.

6. The contention that uricase preparations prior to the present invention contained substantial quantities of the non-tetrameric form of the enzyme is further supported by the actual size-exclusion chromatograms of several preparations of uricases, including the Sigma commercial preparation used in Lee. These preparations of uricase, which are described below, were analyzed on a Superdex®-200 size-exclusion chromatography column by the Applicants of the present invention prior to purifying the uricases using the methods described in the present application. These chromatograms were obtained prior to the filing of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/219,318 from which the present application claims priority. *See* attached Figures 3-5.

7. Figure 3 shows a size-exclusion chromatogram of the commercial preparation of Sigma porcine (also known as hog) liver uricase (Catalog No. U3250) that was used in the methods of Lee and was also used in Example 1 of the present application. Figure 3 demonstrates that prior to purifying the uricase using the methods described in the present application, Sigma porcine liver uricase (Catalog No. U3250) contained only 62% tetramer along with 21% octamer and 17% aggregates larger than octamer.

8. Figure 4 shows a size-exclusion chromatogram of a commercial preparation of Sigma porcine (also known as hog) liver uricase (Catalog No. U3377) that

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was also used in Example 1 of the present application. Figure 4 demonstrates that prior to purifying the uricase using the methods described in the present application, Sigma porcine liver uricase (Catalog No. U3377) contained only 86% tetramer along with 11% octamer and 3% aggregates larger than octamer.

9. Figure 5 shows size-exclusion chromatograms of a recombinant preparation of soybean uricase that was used in Example 6 of the present application. The chromatograms show the soybean uricase preparation before and after the uricase preparation was purified using the methods described in the present application. In addition, Figure 5 shows a size-exclusion chromatogram of a commercial preparation of *Candida utilis* uricase (Sigma Catalog No. U1878) that was used in Example 4 of the present application.

10. Figure 5 demonstrates that prior to purifying the recombinant soybean uricase, the uricase contained only 65% tetramer along with 22% octamer and 13% aggregates larger than octamer. However, after the recombinant soybean uricase was purified using the methods described in the present application, 98% of the uricase was in the tetrameric form.

11. Figure 5 also demonstrates that prior to purifying the uricase using the methods described in the present application, *Candida utilis* uricase (Sigma Catalog No. U1878) contained only 55% tetramer along with 21% octamer, 19% aggregates larger than octamer, and 4% smaller than tetramer.

12. These data clearly show that the Sigma porcine liver uricase (U3250) that was used in Lee does not contain greater than 90% tetrameric uricase. In addition, these

data clearly demonstrate that other commercial, natural and recombinant uricase preparations contained significantly less than 90% tetrameric uricase prior to purifying the uricase preparations using the methods described in the present application. Accordingly, without specifically purifying the uricase preparations according to the methods described in the present application, the uricase preparations disclosed in Lee would not have contained greater than 90% tetrameric uricase.

13. With regard to my first Declaration, I wish to clarify several statements made in paragraph 8 of that Declaration. In that Declaration, I discussed Figures 1 and 2, which were disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 6,783,965 ("the '965 patent") as Figures 2 and 3. Mountain View Pharmaceuticals, Inc., is an assignee of the '965 patent.

14. Figure 1 illustrates size exclusion HPLC analysis on a Pharmacia Superdex[®] 200 column (1x30 cm) of the load and selected fractions from a preparative Mono Q chromatography of porcine uricase containing the mutations R291K and T301S (PKS uricase) showing data obtained by a light-scattering detector at a 90° angle (upper curves) and by absorbance at 276 nm (lower curves). Figure 2 illustrates size-exclusion analyses of fractions from a Mono Q column, showing data obtained by a light-scattering detector at 90° and by absorbance at 276 nm, as in Figure 1.

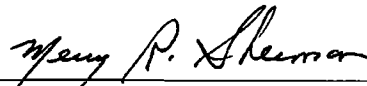
15. To further clarify paragraph 8 of my first Declaration, the top and bottom panels of Figures 1 and 2 represent the *same* samples of PKS uricase; however, as indicated above, the top panel shows the samples of PKS uricase detected by light scattering and the bottom panel shows the samples of PKS uricase detected by absorbance at 276 nm.

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16. Figures 1 and 2 illustrate that octamers and larger non-tetrameric aggregates account for greater than 10% of the uricase present in isolated natural and recombinant uricase preparations, such as those disclosed in Lee. However, by using the methods described in the present specification, we were able to isolate fractions of uricase wherein greater than 90% of the uricase was in the tetrameric form. *See, e.g.*, fraction 6 in Figure 1 and fraction 7 in Figure 2. Thus, these data clearly demonstrate that the purification procedures disclosed in the present application are required in order to obtain the presently claimed isolated mammalian uricases in which greater than 90% of the uricase is in the tetrameric form. Accordingly, as indicated above, without having been purified according to the methods of the present application, the uricase preparations disclosed in Lee would not have contained greater than 90% tetrameric uricase.

17. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the present patent application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,


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Date: Sept. 14, 2007

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Exhibit B

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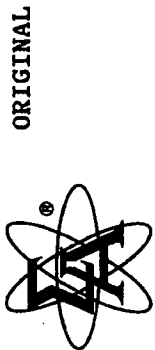
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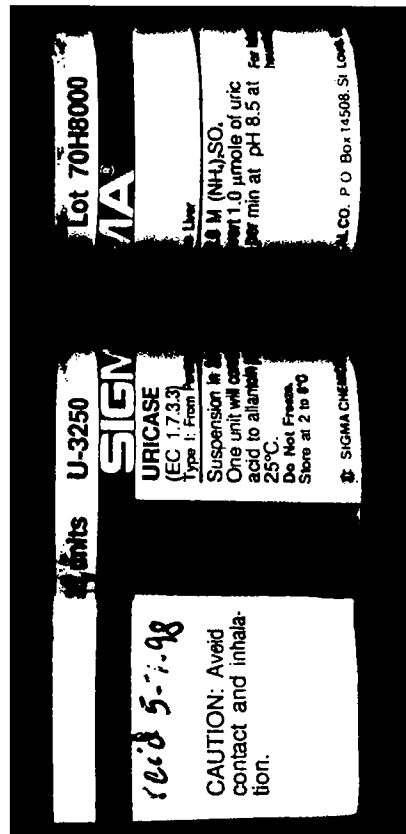
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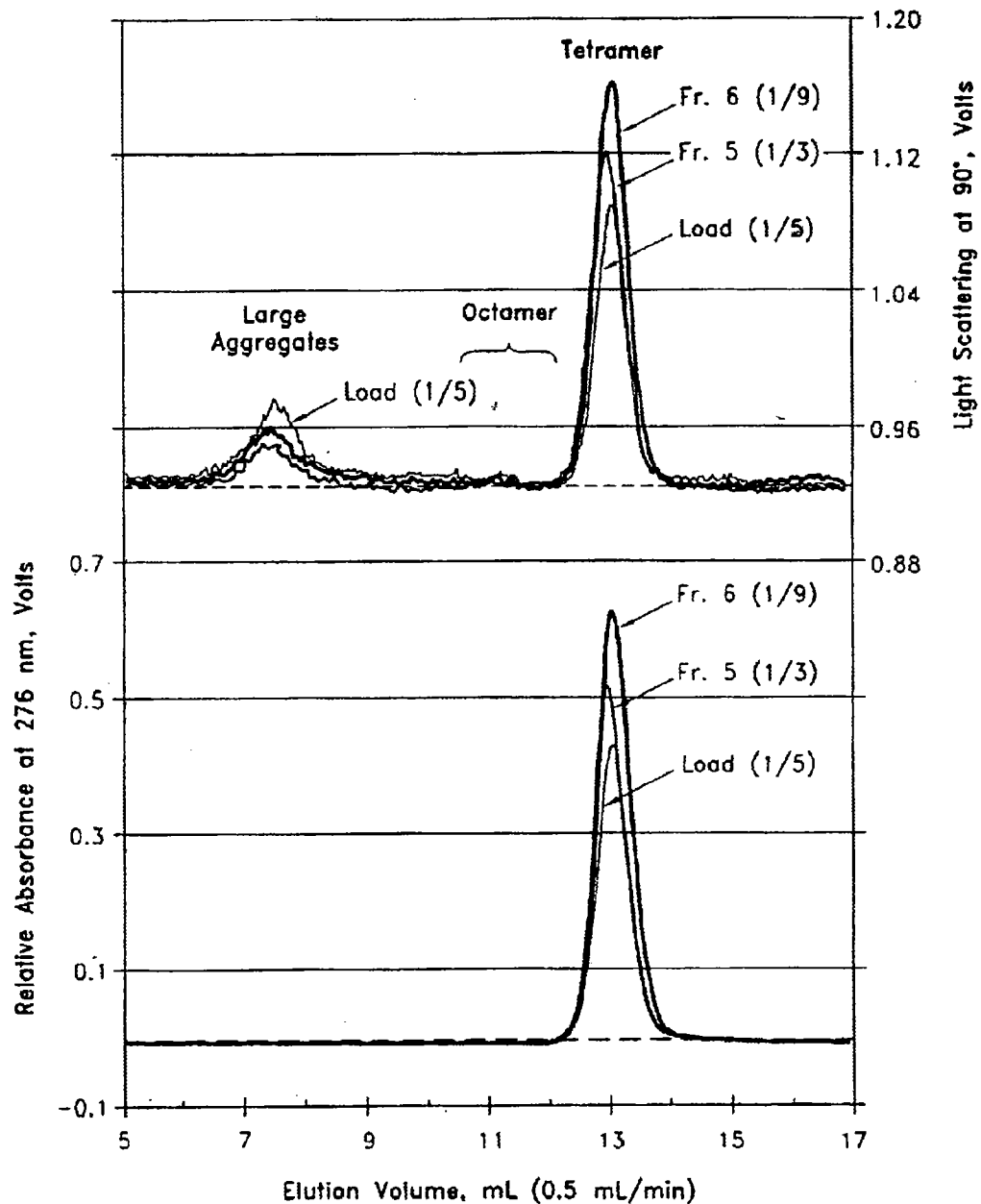
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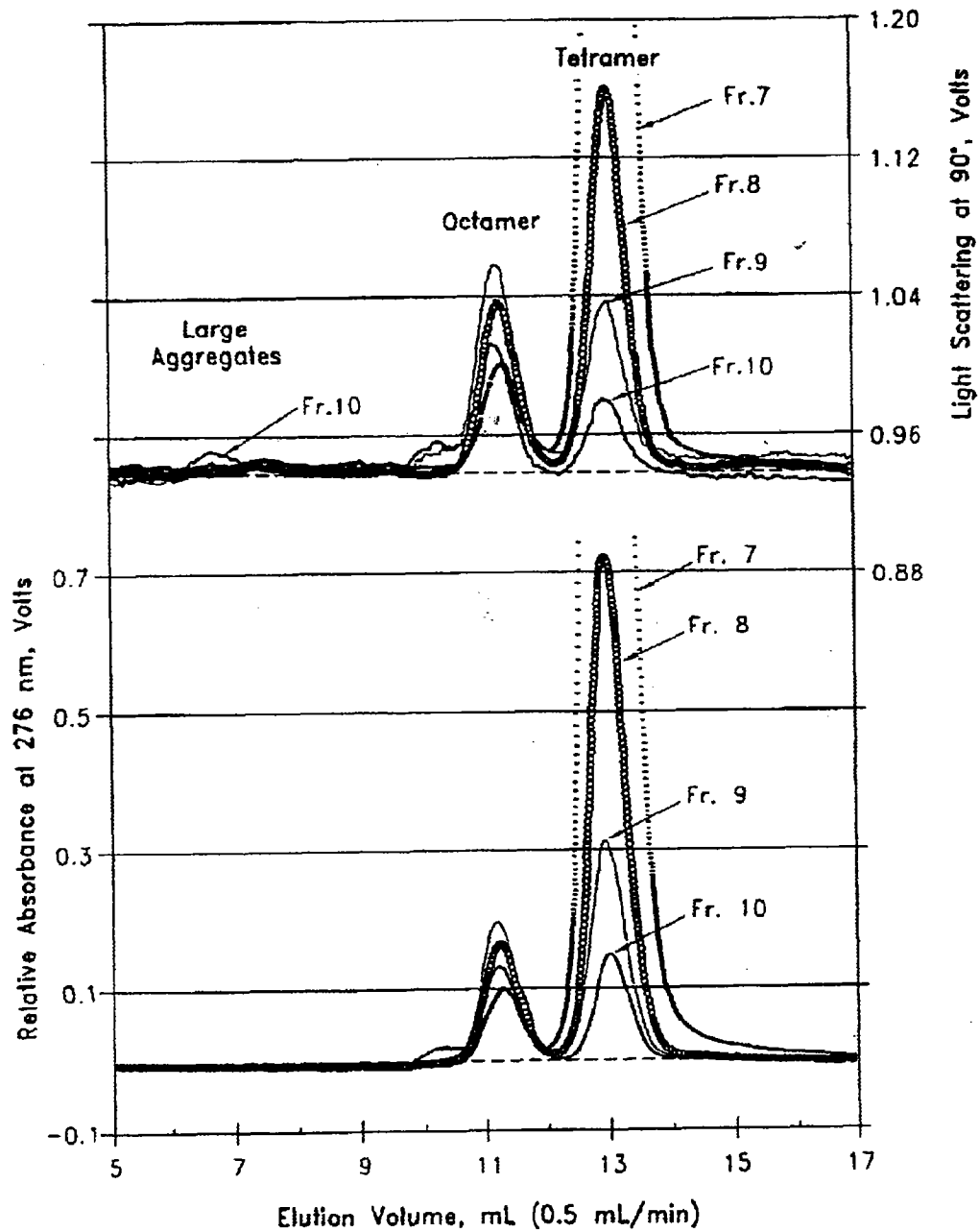
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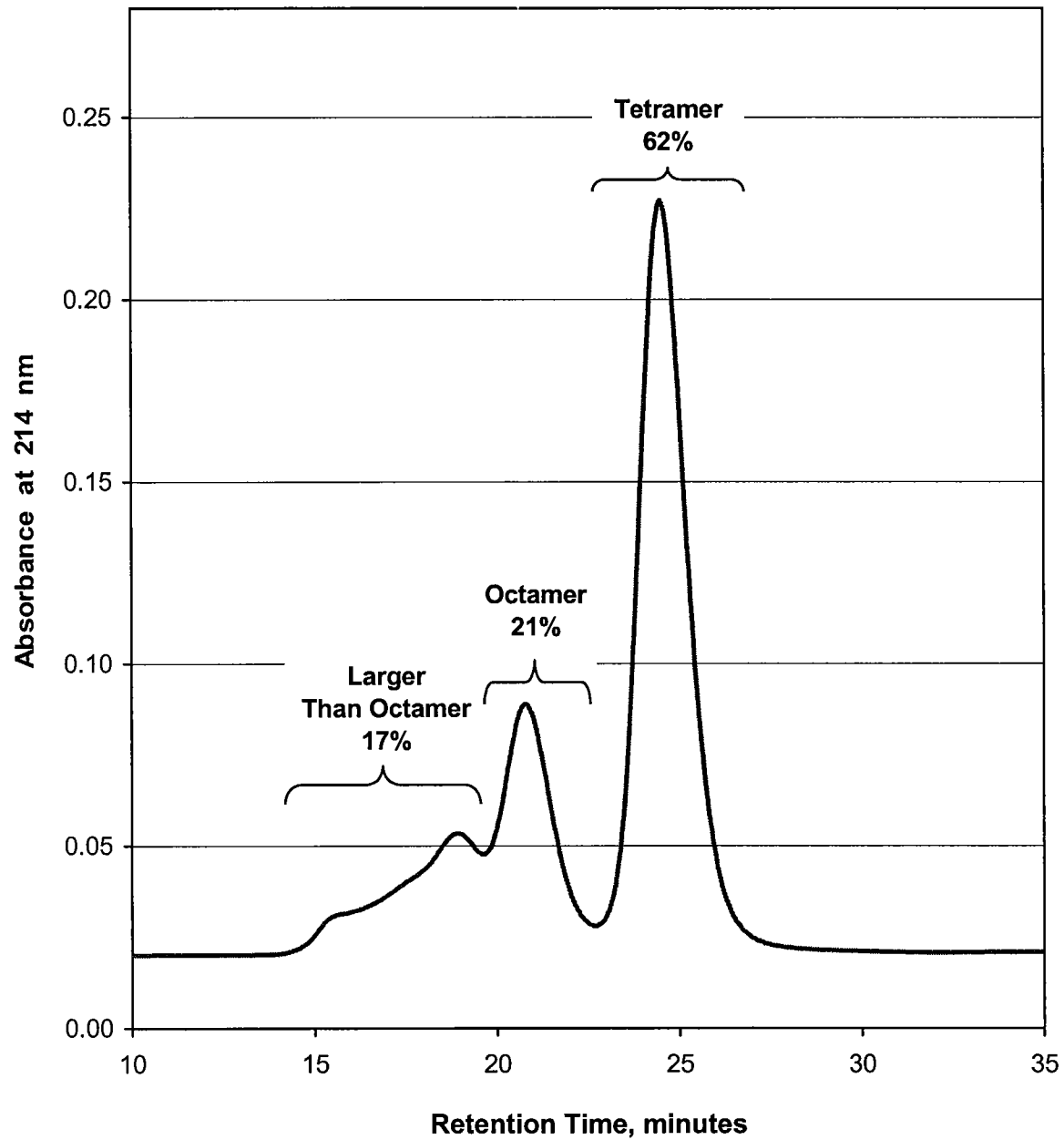
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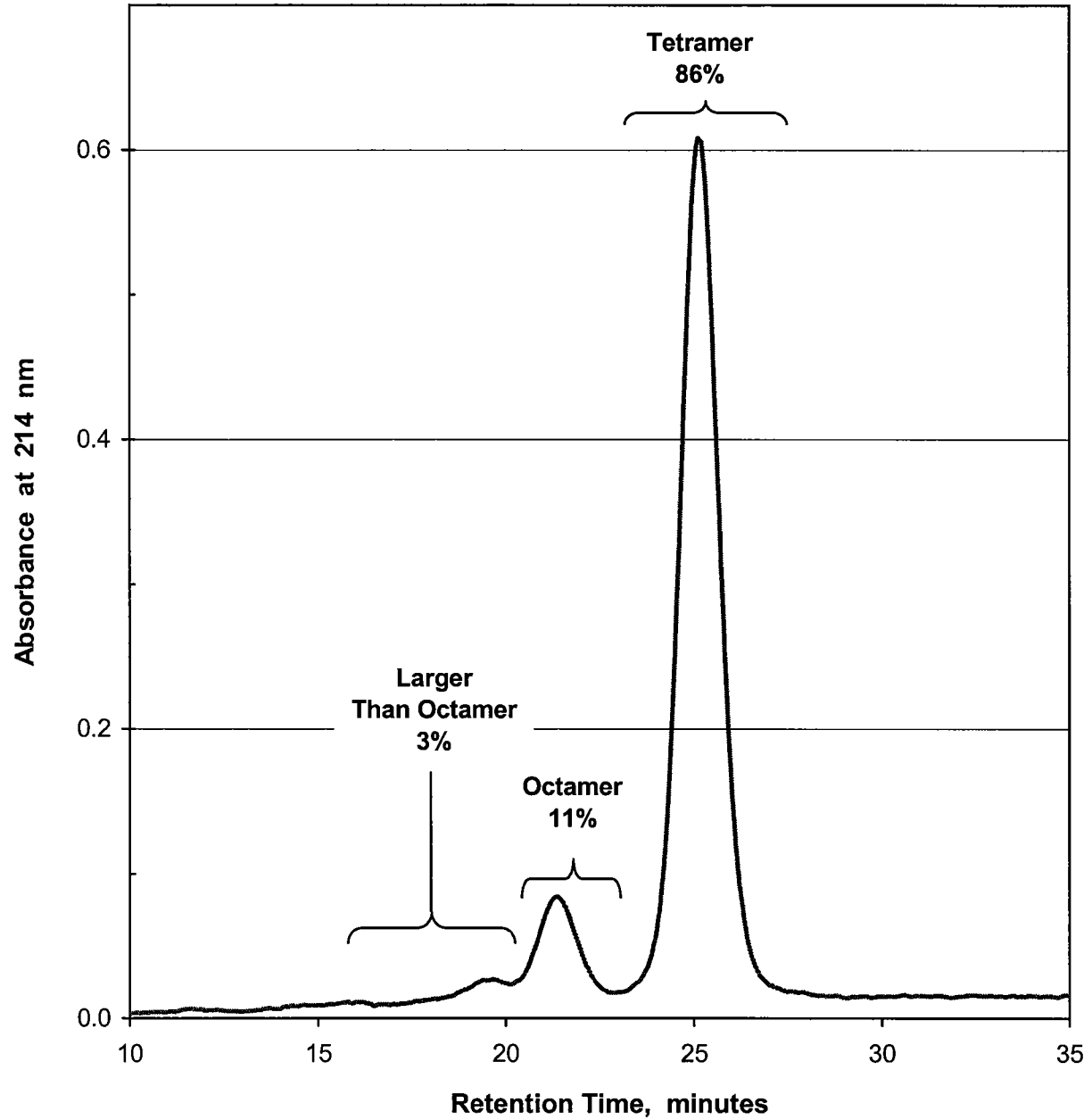
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**Size-exclusion HPLC of Sigma Hog Liver Uricase U-3250
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Size-exclusion HPLC of Sigma Hog Liver Uricase U-3377, 1998



**Size-exclusion HPLC of Recombinant Soybean Uricase and Its Tetramer
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